

Spot Opens

San Francisco Bay Area night club proprietors have in recent months been reporting a slackening of business. But in Redwood City last Friday a brand new night spot opened to a packed house. The place was so crowded the management turned at least 200 persons away.

The name of the place? Well, right now it's called The Spot, but there are indications the name will be changed in a few months to Juke Box Junior.

The owners? The owners of the new business are the citizens of Redwood City.

The customers? The customers are the Redwood City residents for whom the city obtained the old Carnegie Library Bldg., Jefferson Ave. and Broadway, on a loan from owners Albert Ichelson and W. E. Aye.

The building, technically known as an adolescent recreation center last night was opened for business for the first time.

Present were estimated 1,000 teen-agers, Councilman Carl (Kiki) Britschgi said.

Jock Poole, a member of the park and recreation commission, termed the opening a "big success." He said doors had to be closed at 10:15 p. m. because the building would have been overcrowded.

The new business featured dancing, games and a snack bar and according to Britschgi and Poole, business at all these features was "terrific."

On the building's main floor a juke box dance to music provided by Traffic Safety Commissioner A. S. Kimberley was the top attraction.

Downstairs other customers took part in games and raided the Spot's culinary provisions.

Among the honored guests were: Councilmen George McNulty, C. C. Armstrong, Floyd D. Granger and Arthur Swift, as well as Andrew Spinas, elementary school superintendent.

Poole, acting as an adult advisory committee with Britschgi, said they experienced no trouble whatsoever with the customers.

Britschgi said that he and Poole left the disciplinary problem up to Sequoia High School student Gene DeWree and other adolescents and that it was well handled.

Poole especially praised DeWree for his part in organizing the new business.

The Spot will be opened today and tomorrow for adult inspection, but after that it will be an adolescent center, entirely except for some adult supervision which will be provided last night by Misses Mrs. Violet Brown and Mrs. Evelyn Tucker.

Red Men Meet

Metamora Tribe, Order of Red Men, and Indianola Council, Degree of Pochteca, held joint raising of chiefs last night at the Foresters Hall with Marie Casarung as installing officer and Beatrice Glaze as acting great Mishawana.

Mrs. Betty Lineberger was installed as Pochteca and serving with her will be Helen Pellegrini Winona; Helen Jorgensen, prophetess; Martin Jorgensen, Pochteca; Philomene Pederson and Rebekah Purcell, chiefs; Alice Burton and Agnes Dietz, runners; Roger Seufert, Marvin Donlevy, Edward Randolph and Fran Saracena, warriors; Nelly Clare, trustee; Josephine Eisenphelt, guard of the temple; Frances LeRoy, guard of the forest; and Mary Garbet and Kate Jorgensen, counselors.

Officers were presented with flowers and refreshments were served.

Mills Mixup

Legal red tape was cut in the Burlingame-Millbrae fight for the land owned by the Mills Estate, lying between the two cities, in superior court Friday when both sides agreed to go through quo warranto proceedings first and let the outcome determine a writ of review.

The quo warranto action was filed a few days ago by Robert E. Ferranti, Burlingame merchant who, as a taxpayer, is seeking to have Burlingame's annexation of a strip of the property declared invalid.

Burlingame city officials, who are defendants in the suit, contend that mention of the tax rate was stricken before the annexation was completed.

Attorneys for both sides agreed today that the quo warranto proceedings would decide whether or not the annexation was valid. If it was valid, Millbrae's Dec. 10 election in which the people voted to incorporate the disputed land and Millbrae into a sixth city and, and their election of city officers would be invalid.

On the other hand, attorneys agreed, if Burlingame's annexation of a 100-foot-wide strip around the property last fall is illegal, Millbrae's incorporation is valid, and the board of supervisors may proceed with the canvassing of the votes and Millbrae and the property lying south of it would be incorporated as the Peninsula's thirteenth city.

R. M. Zimmerman

Private funeral services for Roy Martin Zimmerman, 28, of Redwood City were held this Tuesday at the Layne and Tinney Funeral Home. Mr. Zimmerman died here yesterday.

He was the son of Eleanor and Martin Zimmerman of Los Gatos and brother of Mrs. Winifred Zimmerman of Oakland, Mrs. Eleanor Munford of Palo Alto, and Clyde and Edward Zimmerman.

Mr. Zimmerman was a native of California.

Hearing Postponed

An effort to quash a grand jury indictment against two Dumbarton Oaks residents accused of conspiracy to commit arson will be made next Monday by Gerard Wagstaffe, their attorney.

When the two were brought before Superior Judge Aylett R. Cotton late Tuesday to enter pleas to the charges, Wagstaffe said he wished to enter a motion to set aside the indictment.

Judge Cotton ruled that the motion would have to be made in the court of Judge Edmund Scott, before whom the jury brought in the true bill. The case was continued one week.

The two accused men are John B. Arlotti, 40, and Henry R. Harlins, 28, his brother-in-law. The grand jury returned the conspiracy indictment after refusing to indict the pair for actual arson.

They are accused of constructing a "Molotov cocktail," a fire bomb with which they intended to burn down the house John T. Walker, Negro veteran, was building near their homes. They have maintained that they defused the fire bomb two days before Walker's house burned on Dec. 6.

Meanwhile, Wagstaffe's running-mate, Atty. Raymond J. Daba, succeeded in gaining a week's continuance for Peter Gianni, 73-year-old Miramar retired businessman who is charged with murder.

Gianni was to have entered a plea Tuesday to the charge that he killed Lincoln Shaw, operator of a store which he had purchased from Gianni. Daba obtained the continuance for further study of the evidence presented the grand jury, which had indicted Gianni for murder.

Shaw died at Community Hospital after he was struck down by a shotgun blast in a rear room of the Miramar store. A grudge over Shaw's successful operation of the business and a minor quarrel over a greasy sink have been charged by Chief Dist. Atty. A. S. Whitmore as motives for the shooting.

Judge Cotton Tuesday gave one year's probation to James T. Archibald, 28, a San Francisco man who had pleaded guilty to passing bad checks totaling \$139 to Redwood City merchants. Chief Probation Officer John S. Cowgill had recommended leniency and reported that Archibald had made restitution of the money.

Honest Newsboys

Julius A. Vega, 44, 342 Hazel St., today charged three small boys, honest for the fact that he still had the \$70 he had Friday.

Vega was arrested yesterday at Main St. and Broadway on a charge of drunkenness by Police Chief C. L. Mickey Collins.

Policeman Clyde Genocchio said that Vega had given \$40 to David Huggins, 10, the son of Mrs. Huggins, 10, 1000 Main St., and \$10 to Ray Galvin, 10, son of Mrs. Galvin, 10, 1000 Main St., and \$20 to Bobby O'Neil, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. O'Neil, 11, 1000 Main St.

Vega, Genocchio continued, told the three newsboys to get change for the price of papers. When Bobby returned with the change Vega told him to keep the change and put up an argument when the youth insisted on returning it.

Bobby thrust the change on him and went to the police station where he got the chief. By the time Chief Mickey Collins and little Bobby O'Neil returned, Ray Galvin was having trouble returning the change from \$10. The chief helped Ray return the money.

After the trio had returned to the police station David Huggins arrived at Main and Broadway to find nobody there. The youngster turned the funds in to police.

Vega today pleaded guilty of drunkenness before Police Judge (Bud) Thorpe and was fined \$10 to be paid in the San Mateo County Jail.

David is the brother of Tommy Huggins, a newsboy who lost both his legs in an accident involving a Southern Pacific Co. train at the Redwood City station.

Gives Party

Mrs. H. J. Mayer of 39 Grand St. entertained at a birthday party for her young daughter, Sharelle, on her fourth birthday on Saturday.

Sharelle, a four-year-old with little toy animals furnished amusement for the small fry and traditional birthday cake with ice cream was served following luncheon at the "milk bar." Pink and green decorations were used.

Young guests were Alice Littrell, Toni Macer, Phyllis Cullen, Bobby Howe, Arthur Burr, Martha Ann Hamilton, Lowell Maguire and Donald and Craig Ritchey.

Fire Fatal to Maid

A maid found unconscious in a hallway of Mrs. William Leib's home, 118 Baywood Ave., Hillsborough, during a minor early morning fire, died despite efforts of an inhalator squad to revive her.

Resuscitation treatment and first aid were given the maid, Mrs. Mae De Ford, about 65, and an ambulance was called but she was pronounced dead on arrival at Mills Hospital.

Preliminary reports indicated she died of a heart attack brought on by excitement.

An autopsy was ordered. Mrs. De Ford had been a county nurse for the past 15 years. She is believed to have relatives living in Portland, Ore.

The Leib residence was the scene of a gem theft last year. Mrs. Lilian La Bord, a former maid, was sentenced to prison for the theft of \$25,000 worth of jewelry belonging to socialite Rene McCreery, daughter of Mrs. Leib.

Adult Education

Just about 20 years ago adult high schools were started in California to meet a demand for the training of immigrants who wanted to become citizens.

For a while the adult program was just that — reading, writing, and citizenship with a heavy emphasis on the United States forms of government.

Today that part of the Sequoia Adult Evening High School is but a small factor. The program, says S. S. Mayo, principal, still includes the citizenship classes, but it also includes such unrelated subjects as speech making, badminton, sewing, and bookkeeping and machine shop.

Within reason, he explains, the evening school will attempt to teach anything a large enough group wants to learn. For example, some time ago some pretty prominent businessmen wanted to learn how to make after-dinner talks. They got pretty tired hearing themselves stammer at service club banquets. The upshot is the Toastmasters Club which meets every Monday.

Mayo obtained the services of a Stanford University teacher and each week the harried businessmen learn how to make speeches without giving that old patter about "on the way over here I am reminded of a funny story."

There are, Mayo continues, approximately 1200 persons now enrolled in the adult school. This isn't as many as the school had enrolled during the war years but it does represent more people actually being taught.

—during the war years there were a lot of "nervous" people. They wanted to get out nights and they'd enroll in an evening school course and maybe attend for a week or so, after that they'd drop out.

Those attending now, however, are there for a purpose and attendance is good. Mayo keeps books on when students attend classes. None of the work, except the apprenticeships, is required, and consequently his pupils are there on their own desire.

The apprenticeships are worked out with San Mateo County labor unions and at present are training a lot of veterans in new trades.

As a part of an apprenticeship in sheet metal work, the candidates must take 144 hours of class work. If they complete the work satisfactorily, they get a hike in pay. These apprentices do have to answer roll call, but it's not the school that keeps the books; it's the union.

The main apprenticeship training is in electricity, carpentry, machine shop and sheet metal work. These classes are heavily attended. Students learn under expert instruction how to operate complete machinery, the school owns. Most of the teachers are experienced and don't handle the classes for the remuneration—it's simply that they like the work a few hours each week.

There are two classes in wood shop for men and one for women. Formerly the school taught men and women in the same classes, but that didn't work at all, Mayo says. Gallantry kept women from learning to work with wood.

Now, Mayo says, the women would wait for a man to complete work on a piece of equipment. As soon as he was done the man often offered to help the woman work on the machine.

Result—the classes for women only. And their husbands, Mayo will permit, hundreds of women enrolled to take the course at the same time, probably figuring that no husband is going to do his wife's work.

Mayo is a stout disbeliever in the old adage that you can't teach an old dog new tricks. Or at least he doesn't believe that it applies to humans. His studies convince him, he says, that older persons probably can learn a subject with a lot less effort and a larger degree of retention . . . when older people take a course they remember it.

As proof of this, Mayo can point to some full of adult women, some of them housewives—learning how to sew. The idea that a female can learn to sew only when she is a child is just not true, he says.

Mayo and his 34 teachers conduct classes four times a week between 7:30 p. m. and 9:30 p. m.

The range of subjects is enough to turn a conventional educator white haired. Besides one course in choral work, there are five physical education subjects. The choral work is mainly for those who would like to sing in groups—they learn sight reading of music and learn as beginners to sing in groups.

The physical education courses include, besides three nights a week of badminton, the Sequoia Industrial Basketball League, two classes of physical conditioning for women and one night volleyball class for men.

The future of the school is very bright, Mayo contends. The world has reached such a speeded up condition, he says, that unless adults go to school either to learn a subject or to enjoy a hobby, civilization is liable to crack up.

Wins Award

Edward J. O'Brien, 228 Princeton Rd., Menlo Park, was one of 33 former employees of Cavite Navy Yard who were awarded the Meritorious Civilian Service Award by the navy Friday.

The awards were made for administering first aid to wounded, repairing damage, and loading supplies during the Japanese bombings of the Philippine base on Dec. 10, 1941.

Payments Rise

At the end of 1946 old age and survivors' insurance payments under the Social Security Act were being paid to 2726 residents of San Mateo County, for a total monthly amount of \$61,348.02, the office here reports.

This represents an increase over 1945 of 38.5 per cent in number of persons, and 41.7 per cent in amount of payments. Besides monthly payments there was also a total of \$40,239.85 paid in lump-sum death payments on the wage records of 255 deceased workers, during 1946, officials add.

The types and amounts of payments now being made are as follows:

	No. Amount
Retired workers, 65 and over	1311 \$36,262.43
Their wives	364 5,358.91
Children under 18 of retired or deceased fathers	592 9,206.44
Their mothers	279 6,516.08
Widows, age 65 or over	173 3,892.35
Dependent parents, 65 or over	11 11.81

Many persons have payments running at the rate of about \$70.00 per year, mean a significant saving of wage loss due to death or retirement," said Edward J. Foley, manager of the San Mateo office of the Social Security Administration, "as well as definite conservation of purchasing power in San Mateo County."

He is the brother of Miss Eileen Foley, who is the wife of John Estey, Miss Virginia Estey, John Estey and Mrs. Hugh Simmons of Atherton.

Two distinguished guests, Mrs. Isabella Dy-Liacco Regalia, wife of the consul general of the Philippines, and Mrs. Estelle Sulist, well-known authority on Philippine affairs, will be speakers at the art and treasure tea, which the Belmont home of the Regalias is giving at the Ralston Mansion in Belmont on Feb. 5.

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Rites Held

An engagement announced last July at a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Buchanan Blakiston in Beverly Hills culminated in marriage recently, when their daughter, Jessie, became the bride of Charles Edward Estes, Jr. of Redwood City, son of the senior Estes of 1335 Valota Rd.

The ceremony took place at All Saints Church in Beverly Hills and was followed by a large reception at the home of the bride's parents.

The bride wore an ivory satin gown and her bouquet was of white orchids.

John James, maid of honor, was dressed in green faille and bridesmaids, Audrey Hamilton, Eileen Hanson, Suzanne Founier and Linda Squires, wore dresses of varying shades of green. They carried shuffs of green leaves.

John Estes was his brother's best man and ushers were William C. Brophy, Chester Koepke, Arthur Dellinger, Dr. Cameron Hall, Stanley Roca and Tommy Blakiston.

The bride was graduated from Marlborough School last June. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Van Lear Black and the late Mr. Black, publisher of the Baltimore Sun. Her paternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. George Blakiston of Baltimore.

Mr. Estes studied at the University of California before joining the army air forces in which he served with distinction for three and a half years, 14 months of which were spent on Soliman.

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Parlor Pres.

Beverly Carnevale was installed as president of the Menlo Park of the Native Daughters of the Golden West in public installation ceremonies Saturday night at Menlo Park Central School.

Outgoing president was Betty Rehorek. Other new officers are: Mrs. John Murray, second vice president; Mrs. Ben Rogers, marshal; Mrs. Louise Eastman, courier; Mrs. John Carnevale, recording secretary; Mrs. Catherine Louie, financial secretary; and Norma Guglielmo, organist.

The new board of trustees consists of Mrs. Carl Sparks, Mrs. Agnes Mosher and Mrs. Gladys Alexander.

Installing officer was Mrs. Ray Zanetti, district deputy, assisted by members of the San Bruno Parlor.

Surprise Friends

Paul E. Palmer, manager of the Merchants' Assn. of Redwood City, and Alice Lindsay of Santa Maria surprised their many friends recently when they were married quietly in the Presbyterian Manse at Loma, Calif.

The couple were honeymooned at Palm Springs and at the colorful and historic Mission Inn at Riverside.

For the wedding, the bride wore a light blue sports suit and a corsage of pink and white flowers.

Alice, a teacher in the Santa Maria City schools, attended the University of Idaho. She has a fine reputation in musical circles as a soprano soloist.

Mr. Palmer, who established the Merchants' Assn. in 1938 and managed it until he entered the army in 1942, is a cross-country runner and a member of the English and Spanish clubs.

After his discharge from the army he resumed management of the Redwood City firm.

The newlyweds will live in Redwood City.

Cole Quits

The resignation of Joyce Cole as dramatic director for the San Carlos Community Theater, which was presented by her to the board of directors earlier in the week, was accepted with regrets by the members at the monthly meeting of the little theater group Friday night at the city hall.

Mrs. Ahima Evans presided. In commenting upon giving up this work, Joyce Cole said today that she was antipathetic to returning to professional work which would take up all of her time. Miss Cole who was for many years connected with the stage has in the past few years appeared on some of the major network radio programs. She had considerable previous experience with amateur groups both in the East Bay and in Sonoma County, where she has a summer home at Glen Ellen.

In speaking of her work with the San Carlos theater group, Miss Cole said she had continually kept the community as a whole in mind and that many of the "aims and ambitions" of the theater had been "thought up" by her. She emphasized that while she had strived to have a new cast for each play she would not take those who could not act and consequently had no box office deficit.

Her interest in the San Carlos group will continue, she said, although she is giving up her work with them. Tonight she will hold the last of her radio classes. She will continue to direct "Candlelight" a three-act play now in rehearsal which will be staged in March. The play, "Murray Hill," which has already been cast will be directed by Clifford Van Idersdine who has appeared in a number of the Community Theater productions.

A one-act play, "Dianthe's Decision," also directed by Joyce, will be presented next month before several club groups.

The resignation of Mavis Walker as secretary was also accepted Friday. Miss Walker is returning to her college work at the University of California.

Following an exhibition of folk dancing numbers by the San Carlos "Peasants," refreshments were served by Mrs. Anna Boin and her committee.

Hear Forum

Sho also asks if African magi would come up all right the second year. Sorry, but these brilliantly colored flowers are hardy annuals and will be planted every year. January-February is the best time to sow seeds. (They reach a height of three feet.)

For all those who are bothered by colds, coughs and colds, magi—try saturating the soil with soil fumigant containing dichloroethyl ether. It's the most effective treatment available now.

Mr. J. E. Ragland of Sausalito, Calif., asks if the dwarf fruit would be all right in that climate. She has peaches, apples and plums which the oldtimers tell her have been thriving for 50 years. I understand that the dwarf fruits are just as hardy as those of standard size. Since they're deciduous, it would be a lot to harm them in the dormant stage.

So many have asked about the Marcross corn which was offered through this column last year. It is a good variety for early planting for early crop all right. However, it isn't put up in regular packets. Your regular dealer could probably order a half pound or so in bulk for you.

Mrs. George W. Ogden of Redwood City wants to plant more to matatoes despite her experience with blight for three successive years. She wants to know how to avoid blight.

If I could give an answer guaranteed to avoid the various diseases classed under "blight," I would. However, it costs millions of dollars for it. Certainly losses must total that and more every year. However, it helps never to plant tomatoes in the same bed two years in a row. It helps to spray with fungicide containing copper and insecticides to keep insects out. But blights can travel on dust blown in the air. . . . The best prevention is vigorous growth—good care from the start.

Home Here

The newlywedded Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Crow, the former Barbara Loraine Larsen, are now making their home on Carmelita Dr., San Carlos

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Robbin's Rites

Shirley Dooley is now Mrs. Sam H. Robbins following her marriage last Saturday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Martin of 72 Poplar St.

White pyrotechnics, potted carnations and gladioli banked the fireplace where the couple stood. Bishop James Osterloh of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints performed the ceremony.

Shirley wore a light blue suit with rose colored accessories and a corsage of white orchids. Her maid of honor, Miss Rosemarie Hoffrecht, wore a grey suit with black accessories and yellow roses. Glenn Porter served as best man.

The reception for 75 guests followed the ceremony. Hop-frog guests were the bride's uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Sorenson of Huntington Park and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Riddle of Los Angeles.

Sam is the son of Mrs. Nova Heald and of Mr. Harvey Robbins of this city. He served with the navy overseas during the war. His two brothers are Harvey Jr. and Harold. Sam is now employed in San Francisco, where the couple will reside.

Both Shirley and Sam attended Sequoia High School and the bride has a younger sister, Jeanette Martin.

Returns Home

Home from a four months' visit in Australia is Mrs. George Thompson of this city, who left last October to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ethel Hopkinson at Katoomba in the Blue Mountains in New South Wales, whom she had not seen for 18 years.

While in Australia, Mrs. Thompson also visited her mother, Mrs. Hopkinson at Katoomba, and a brother, Geoffrey Hopkinson of Randwick.

"The trip crossing was perfect," said Mrs. Thompson today, "but the return trip was very hot, especially through the tropics." Then when they reached San Francisco they became fog bound and it took from 4 o'clock in the morning until 4 o'clock Friday afternoon to dock the boat. Mrs. Thompson sailed on the SS Marine Phoenix.

Her two sons, Robert and Geoffrey, remained in Redwood City with their father during Mrs. Thompson's absence.

Stork Shower

Mrs. Claude Alraudi and Mrs. Harvey Clark of San Francisco were honorees Sunday night when Mrs. Doanell Woods entertained at a double stork shower at her home at 528 Hamilton St. Mrs. Helen Bayne was cohostess.

The gifts were presented in a large decorated basket and refreshments were served.

Guests were: Mmes. W. Patch, Jack Potts, Olga Perone, Helen Massagli, Nini Massagli, Myrtle Price, Teresa Navarro of San Francisco, Michael Woods, Stella Mulcady, Hallie Clark, Billie Fields, Alberta Ayers and Walter Geske of Redwood City and Miss Elaine Massagli of San Francisco.

Weds Nephew

At St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Palo Alto Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Suzanne Nephew of Menlo Park became the bride of John Collins of Palo Alto in an informal ceremony.

The bride, daughter of Mrs. Suzanne Nephew of Menlo Park, was attended by her sister, Joan, as maid of honor, and by Lorraine Thomas as bridesmaid. Bill Nephew and Don Huskey were the ushers. A reception was held at the home of the bride's mother after which the newlyweds left for a honeymoon at La Honda.

Suzanne has been attending Sequoia High School and her husband is now employed as a carpenter. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Collins of Palo Alto.

Cage Scores

Georgetown 61, Scranton 31, G. Washington 41, Virginia 39, Tennessee 48, Georgia 33, Wake Forest 53, Furman 52, Kentucky 86, Michigan State 36, Baylor 58, Texas Christian 46, Alabama 41, Tulane 39, Purdue 66, Minnesota 63 (O.T.), Wisconsin 45, Northwestern 44, Butler 54, Ohio State 50, Cincinnati 58, Dayton 46, Wyoming 63, Denver 38.

SM Spending

Per capita spending by cities in San Mateo County over the war years shows wide variations when expenditures for fiscal 1940 and fiscal 1945 are compared, California Taxpayers' Assn. said Tuesday. Only those cities which have had special federal censuses taken since 1940 were included in the study. Population found by the special census was used as the base for the 1945 per capita, the association said. Data for 1945 are the latest available.

Of the cities in the county, per capita expenditures for Belmont for fiscal 1945 were \$10.20, for fiscal 1940, \$12.47; Burlingame, \$21.38 for 1945 and \$19.50 for 1940; Menlo Park, \$7.19 for 1945 and \$11.42 for 1940; Redwood City, \$28.51 for 1945 and \$22.98 for 1940; San Bruno, \$12.26 for 1945 and \$28.45 for 1940; San Carlos, \$14.58 for 1945 and \$22.59 for 1940; San Mateo, \$18.21 for 1945 and \$20.64 for 1940; and South San Francisco, \$20.35 for 1945 and \$23.21 for 1940.

Statewide, of the 136 cities which have had special federal censuses since 1940, 54 show higher per capita expenditures for fiscal 1945 than for fiscal 1940, the association found. The remaining 82 cities showed reduced costs per person for the wartime period.

Seek Space

Civilian Production Administration approval of three additional classrooms at the Menlo Park Fremont School stood an optimistic chance Tuesday and Supt. O. H. Olson was preparing a fourth application to follow three other requests previously turned down.

Eugene Mills, priority order specialist for the San Francisco CPA office, in an interview told Olson that if the Menlo Park school board could establish a need for the three classrooms by the number of homes in the area, "I can't see how the application can be denied."

Mills indicated that the apparent number of homes and proposed homes would be sufficient to establish a need for not only two, but three classrooms.

It was a complete change in the CPA policy, Olson declared. Three requests for a two-room addition have been denied this fall on the basis that they were not sufficient to compete for construction materials with the Veterans' Housing Program.

A kindergarten and two primary classrooms would be built, Olson said. One of the latter rooms will be larger than the others and will be 40 feet long and 36 feet wide.

Olson said he was surprised when Mills suggested increasing the request for three classrooms, although the overall improvement program for Fremont School included that many.

Olson has Max Mielke, city building inspector, and a number of the number of homes under construction and proposed homes in the Fremont School area, and Architect Thomas Edwards is redrawing plans to include three classrooms.

Luncheon Meet

The Woodside Village Congregational Church women entertained Mrs. C. L. Jackson, outgoing president of the Santa Clara Assn. of Congregational women, and Mrs. Harrison B. Williams, incoming president, as their guests last Thursday.

The Guild Hall was decorated with dusty miller foliage and sweet peas and the table was centered with a wintry piece of white shrub with perching tinsel birds.

The meeting opened with a prayer by Mrs. Charles Nord.

Two hundred and fifty dollars was voted toward the organ fund and \$50 for the church treasury. Material for new choir supplies will also be purchased by the women.

Hostesses for luncheon were Mmes. George Robischung, C. Van Zandt, Kenneth Reesley and E. J. Bonanfant, president.

The next activity of the group will be a pot-luck supper on Sunday evening, Feb. 23, at 6 p.m.

**BUILDING BAROMETER
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(Reported by Bldg. Insp. O. W. Stewart)
To Date This Year \$288,100
NEW PERMITS — Standish Ave., 2413 San Carlos Ave., \$6000 dwelling; Standish and Gover, 2437 San Carlos Ave., \$6000 dwelling; Cecil Ball, 2073 Greenwood Ave., \$5000 dwelling.

Births

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To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lidel, 232 Willow Rd., North Palo Alto, a daughter was born on Jan. 25, in the Palo Alto Hospital.

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Grass Fire

Two small Woodside children were cold Tuesday afternoon. So cold that they decided to build a fire to keep warm. A few minutes later, the Woodside Fire Dept. rushed out to the Chamberlain Estate, Woodside Rd., to put out a grass fire.

Woodside Fire Chief John Volpiano reported that the fire was not extensive and that no injuries resulted from it.

Man Held

Atherton Municipal Judge Roland R. King last Friday found sufficient evidence against a Palo Alto city employee to warrant holding him for trial in superior court on a charge of manslaughter in the traffic deaths of two pedestrians.

Ralph E. Birdsell, 33, was held to answer to the manslaughter charge resulting from the deaths Dec. 22 of Michael J. Lee and Kathryn Murray, both of San Francisco.

They were killed instantly when struck down while crossing El Camino Real at Atherton Ave.

Chief Dep. Dist. Atty. A. C. Whitmore said that witnesses at the preliminary hearing last Thursday testified that when Lee was struck by the car, his body was thrown 15 feet into the air and that it struck a light pole eight feet from the ground.

Leads Bowlers

John Stump bowled high series, 640, and high game, 236, in Monday Bowl. The Sequoians won two of three games from the San Carlos A.C., the Aces won two of three from the Browns, the Poles won two of three from the Morris team, and the Feldmans won two of three from the Sequoias.

Monday	W. L.	League	W. L.	
Sequoia	40	23 NSGW	31	32
San Carlos	37	24 Morris	31	32
Feldman	36	27 SCAC	24	39
Poles	35	28 Brown	18	45

Officers Installed

Officers in the Italian Catholic Federation were installed last week by Victor Canavese of Redwood City, assisted by Al Rosingana, deputy from Mountain View. The Rev. Father Joseph Fitzpatrick, chaplain, was present.

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School Site

Condemnation proceedings against 20 acres of the Donohoe property in south Atherton were filed in Superior Court by the county district attorney's office. The district attorney was authorized to start the proceedings by a resolution passed by the Sequoia High School District board of trustees Thursday night.

The Donohoe property on Ringwood Ave., near Middlefield Rd., had been under consideration by the school board for over two years as a possible site for a high school in the south end of the district.

After eliminating all other possible sites, the board finally decided to start proceedings against two 10-acre parcels of the Donohoe estate, owned by Christine Donohoe of Menlo Park and Mrs. Frederick Jostes of St. Louis.

The property, formerly called Holm Grove, was once the estate of the late Joseph Donohoe, pioneer California banker.

Show Set

Students from Notre Dame College will serve as models when the Notre Dame Music Assn. holds a pre-Easter Fashion Show, on St. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, in the historic old Ralston mansion on the college campus. The winding stairway of the home will serve as the focal point for the descent of the models.

Chairman for the affair and in charge of the models is Mrs. Fred A. Marianetti of San Mateo. Tea will be served following the style show by Mrs. A. Campodonico Jr. of Atherton and a large committee.

Tickets for the affair may be obtained from Mrs. G. W. Silverthorne, RC 2584-J. Proceeds will go into the building project fund of the College of Notre Dame.

Dinner Planned

A charter-night dinner, at which the new Menlo Park Rotary Club will be officially presented with its charter, is being planned for Thursday evening, Feb. 20, at the Ramor Oaks Restaurant.

The dinner will be under the auspices of the Palo Alto Rotary Club, which is sponsoring establishment of the Menlo Park Club.

Presidents and secretaries of 14 Rotary clubs from San Francisco to San Jose are among the guests invited, and 225 persons are expected.

Emcee will be A. M. Kirby of the Palo Alto club. Rotary governor's special representative for the organization of the Menlo Park club.

Other members of the organization committee from Palo Alto are Merrill M. Vanderpool and William E. Kraus.

Charter for the Menlo Park chapter was granted Jan. 21, Kirby was informed by wire, and is on its way from the Rotary International office in Chicago. The club previously was on a "provisional" basis.

Edward E. Jones

Edward Everett Jones, 41 years a resident of San Carlos, died Saturday in that city. He lived at 512 Walnut St.

Mr. Jones leaves a wife, Mollie L. Jones, and three daughters, Mrs. Elsworth Steward of San Carlos, Mrs. Margaret Batchelder and Miss Freda Jones, both of Vallejo. Mr. Jones had resided in California for 75 years.

Mr. Jones was a member of Golden State Lodge 216, a charter member of the Vallejo Elks Club, and a member of the Loring Club of San Francisco.

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses
James R. Volz, 28, San Jose, and Ida R. Orlando, 27, Cupertino.
Edwin E. Styms, 30, San Bruno, and Fern K. Ferris, 26, Burlingame.
John M. Bray, 25, and Catherine J. Paladini, 25, both of San Francisco.

Divorce Complaints
Margie A. vs. Berkeley L. Fuller
Eva M. vs. Mervyn A. Macure.
Lola E. vs. William S. Norris.
Florence vs. Pietro Pera.
Hazel K. vs. George V. Stratton.

Interlocutory Decrees
Clara from Norton Q. Gorham.
Mabel E. from Maurice E. Huggans.
Nina from Harold E. Hyde.
Gertrude from Ralph V. Ruthe.

Final Decrees
Frances M. from Arthur E. Ehling.
Nina from Harry Grainger.
Mary from Thomas Kelly.

Annulment Complaints
Herbert M. vs. V. L. Goodwin.
Annulment Decrees
Helen M. Parker from Harold Goodwin.
Pearl from Mark Nethercoat.

Probate Matters
Estate of Oscar B. Myers Jr., decd.
Petition for probate of will.

Installs Officers

Officers of the Canton Peninsula and Ladies Auxiliary 47, Patriarch Militant of Redwood City, were installed at ceremonies at the IOOF hall in Redwood City.

Brig. Gen. Charles Davis of San Francisco was chief installing officer.

Those installed were William E. Hodge, Burlingame, captain; William P. Lane, Mountain View, lieutenant; Glen Heath, Mountain View, ensign; Guy B. Troxel, San Mateo, clerk; E. E. Tuck, Burlingame, accountant; Carl Becker, Cupertino, trustee; George Petersen, Redwood City, banner-bearer; Wilbur A. Lane, Mountain View, guard; Jules River, Atherton, sentinel; Roy Heald, Palo Alto, picket; W. J. Davis, Palo Alto, chaplain.

In the auxiliary new officers are Grenville Tuck, Burlingame, president; Bessie Vernal, Redwood City, vice president; Helen Troxel, San Mateo, secretary; Kate Heald, Palo Alto, treasurer; Blanche Hodge and Hannah Hurst, Burlingame, aides to the president; Katherine Martin, Menlo Park and Rita Kennedy, San Mateo, aides to the vice president; Louise Camp, Thelma Watson, Palo Alto, aides to the past president; Estelle Lane, Mountain View, musician; Meta Lane, Mountain View, chaplain.

Candidates will be welcomed into the lodge Feb. 22 with mustering in ceremonies.

Meter Violations

Motorists in Redwood City received 86 citations for failure to comply with parking meter regulations yesterday. Police Officer Clyde Genocchio said Saturday.

He said police yesterday issued 95 citations, and that of these 86 were for persons parked at metered slots.

Corps Serve

The Redwood City Canteen Corps of the American Red Cross lived up to the games room in Ward 8 with tasty refreshments Tuesday afternoon, and then switched to the evening dance and served refreshments in between numbers by Bob Kent's orchestra at the Veterans' Administration Hospital.

Ward 17's day room was visited by a group from the American Legion Auxiliary of Redwood City who served refreshments, as the Navy Mother's Club, San Jose, converted the day room of the receiving ward into a party setting for the new arrivals.

Mrs. Dillinger held another of her popular combination folk dance party affairs in the auditorium Tuesday afternoon for the women patients, parolers and 25 guests from Ward 16.

Love's Problems

A Bayshore City love triangle wound up today with the arrest of one suitor on a battery charge and the other trying to get rid of a defunct skunk.

And in the center of the controversy was Marina Eardini, 38-year-old Bayshore City belle for whose attentions the two are alleged to have been vying.

She charges that she got a black eye out of the deal.

Dep. Sheriff Paul Jensen said today that Victor Morao, 53-year-old cement contractor who roomed at the same house where Marina and her brother, Geno, live, was long looked upon favorably by Marina.

Then Dominic Pietroroia, an appraiser for a San Francisco realty firm, loomed in the picture, and Marina had eyes only for him.

She entrusted Pietroroia not only with her affections, Jensen said, but with \$3,100 cash which she had in the house. She gave this to him for safekeeping and was given a receipt.

Morao didn't take this sitting down, she told Jensen, but beat her up last Sunday and took the receipt.

Thursday, Pietroroia received a package through the mail. There was a tell-tale odor about it.

He opened it and found a dead skunk. He claims the package was addressed in Morao's handwriting.

Pietroroia appealed to Dept. Dist. Atty. Fred Wyckoff yesterday. He told Wyckoff that he had seen a lawyer, and the lawyer told him to put the skunk on ice and see the D. A.

Wyckoff said today he didn't know of any law against it, perhaps the postoffice department had one.

Meantime, Marina appeared before Justice of the Peace John J. Fahey Jr. in South San Francisco and swore out a warrant for battery against Morao.

Morao was released on \$250 bail after his arrest today.

Peasants Meet

Two members of the San Carlos Peasants, Jennie Taylor, the director, and Penny Van Valer, took part in an exhibition dance of the Russian "Vo Sadu," presented by Chang's International Folk Dancers at a recent California Federation Folk Dance festival held in San Francisco. Chang, famed folk dance teacher, held classes in San Carlos last year.

Others attending the festival from San Carlos were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sass, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McKenzie, Nancy Hershe, Dolly Harbaugh, Bob Taylor, LeRoy Harbaugh, Leonard Smith and Robert Taylor.

PEOPLE ARE ASKING THESE QUESTIONS ABOUT ARMY ENLISTMENT



Q. What educational benefits do I get under the GI Bill of Rights?

A. If you serve honorably on active duty for a period of 90 days, one day of which is served between September 16, 1940, and the date of termination of the present war, or you are discharged because of an actual service-incurred injury or disability incurred within that first 90-day period of service, you are, upon discharge, entitled to one year of education in the college, trade or business school of your choice for which you can qualify. In addition, each month of active duty, including the first three, prior to the termination of the war, entitles you to another month of post-service education, up to 48 months.

Your tuition, laboratory fees, etc., up to \$500 per ordinary school year will be paid by the government. Also, you will receive \$65 a month living allowance; \$90 a month if you have dependents.

Q. What about family allowances?

A. For men enlisting or reenlisting now, family allowances will continue until six months after the war is officially ended.

Q. What are my chances of going overseas?

A. If you enlist for 3 years, you may select to serve in any overseas theater which has openings, especially Japan or Korea.

Q. Can I still choose the branch of service I want to serve in?

A. Yes. You can pick any branch which has quotas to be filled, if you enlist for 3 years.

Q. Is there any way I can reenlist in my old grade?

A. Yes, you can, if you reenlist for a 3-year term within 20 days after your honorable discharge.

Q. Is there any other way I can reenlist in grade?

A. Yes, if you held one of certain military occupational specialties, and were discharged on or after May 12, 1945, you can reenlist in a grade depending on the length of time you held the desired M. O. S.

Visit your nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station for answers to any other questions you may have, or for further details on the above questions.

Listen to: "Sound Off," "Warriors of Peace," "Voice of the Army," and "Proudly We Sail," on your radio.

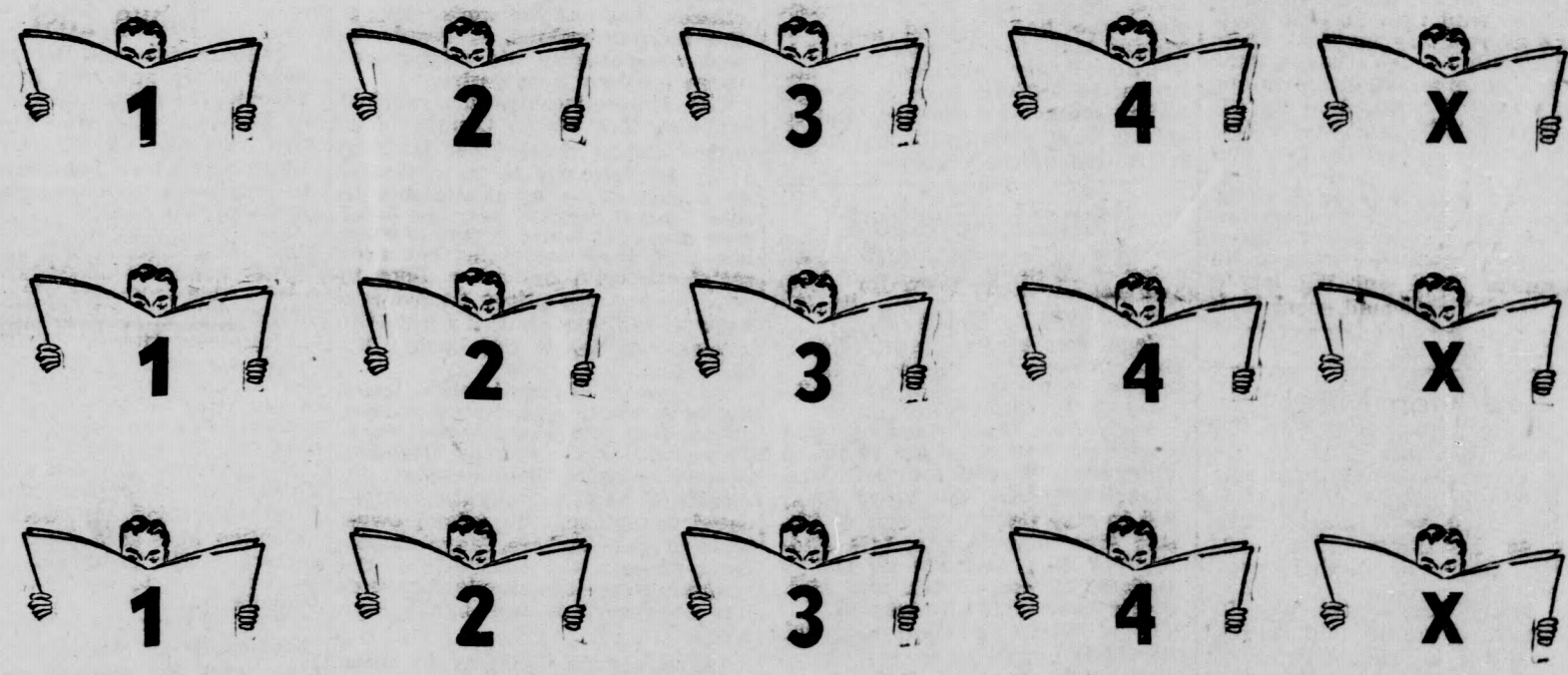
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Commuter News

By JOE CABOOSE

For our sins we had to spend last week in Southern California. They say it was foggy in the Bay Area, including Redwood City. We would not say it was foggy in Los Angeles. But it is the first time we ever knew the difference. To loan each guest a white stick and a seeing-eye dog.

They call "smog" down there; which is a combined meaning of smoke plus fog. They blame it all on the smudge pots which have burned nightly for weeks to keep the frost off the citrus groves.

Monday night Bingham Muller, a former sea-going San Franciscoan, invited us to his Alhambra home for dinner. We inquired anxiously how he proposed to negotiate the nine miles between his office and home.

"I didn't cross the Pacific 26 times and circumnavigate the globe 12 times for nothing," said Muller, pulling a navigator's map from his pocket and proceeding to chart a course through the "smog" filled streets. "Bing said, 'Bing said, 'my new Mercury is equipped with all the latest navigational aids including radar, loran and an altimeter.'"

"What good is an altimeter on an automobile in the fog?" we scoffed. "Well," he explained, "if you go over a cliff you can tell at a glance how far you are from the bottom. The way home he sang 'Open door, Richard!' Which only added to our nervousness. To make conversation we asked about radar and loran. 'Radar,' he said, 'picks up anything opaque, that's your boy, loran, on the other hand, picks up nothing but blondes.'"

We've always insisted you don't have to be nuts to get the most out of life in Southern California, but it helps. Mrs. Muller is a charming young former East Bay newspaper woman and Mr. Muller is a former U. S. Customs officer who bears up very well under the ordeal of being married to a steamship man.

Incidentally, we learned about commuters in Los Angeles. Most of them commute by auto because street cars and busses, with their many stops and long distances, take too long and there are no rail transit services except in very limited areas. The incidence of auto accidents is high, not because of "Los Angeles drivers," but because per capita more people spend more hours in automobiles in Los Angeles than in any other metropolitan area in the world. We don't envy the Los Angeles commuter.

And that reminds us, Redwood City still has a major parking problem which the meters will not solve. Parking space for commuters in the depot lots is not enough. The overflow formerly went into California and James Sts. But now the meters block that.

Our operatives tell us the City Council instructed City Manager Blom to contact the SP to see if a portion of Butcher's Field might be acquired as a parking lot for commuters. This would seem to be an excellent solution. However, we understand the SP wants the city to rezone that whole tract for commercial development. The city is in a nice position to do some horse trading to get what it wants.

Congratulations to Sequoia High School students and to everyone else who had anything to do with setting up the new "Teen Age Center." We must say, it didn't come any too soon. Chmn. Elmer Ross of the Recreation Commission has taken exception to the charge that Redwood City had the highest delinquency rate on the Peninsula, and explained it by saying that this being the county seat reported all cases whereas the other communities did not.

Be that as it may, Redwood City has had nothing to shout about in the way of recreational facilities. And if it hasn't had the highest juvenile delinquency rate it is either a miracle or due to the innate goodness of Redwood City juveniles. There have never been adequate facilities or an organized program for keeping our young people wholesome, engaged and out of mischief. Redwood City has nothing to compare with the facilities in Burlingame, San Mateo, and Palo Alto. Even upstart San Carlos has us backed off the map in modern recreational facilities. The Commuters Club was ridiculed a few years ago for advocating acquisition of Butcher's Field for this purpose. It isn't the fault of Elmer and his Recreation commissioners, who are all conscientious, hard-working public servants. The trouble is too many persons who control the destiny of Redwood City are too tight to let anyone spend a dime to see a snake ride a bicycle. Business first, and then beauty and the children!

They say the best things in life are free. That was true Saturday night when we helped Commuters Guido Simoni and Jack Sullivan, along with Coach Joe Rao and Leonard Britschgi, transport Redwood City's Mt. Carmel basketball team to Burlingame High School gym to play the second game of a 3-game championship series with St. Catherine's of Burlingame.

We never saw anything like it for thrills. The game ended 23 to 24 in favor of Redwood City, with the opposition getting a free throw after the final gun that could have tied the score. Standing one game each, Mt. Carmel and St. Catherine's will play the final for the Peninsula Parochial School championship at Sequoia High School gym next Sunday at 2 p. m. Again it's free, and open to the public!

We are happy to report Mrs. Richard turn Soden is back home after a minor operation at Palo Alto hospital. . . . Herb Shepard has returned from a business trip to Washington, D. C., and leaves next week for Los Angeles. . . . Ed Boye will host the next house committee meeting, Fri., Jan. 31, at his home, 766 Cordillera, San Carlos. . . . A letter from Jimmie Sanborn, the yellow cat, denies he ran away from his Palm Springs home. . . . Wrex Cruse was posted Saturday for a return flight to Honolulu when an ear infection kept him on the mainland.

Scout Shorts

Representatives of the three districts of the County Scout Council met this week in their respective areas to plan for 1947, each group setting what spokesmen termed "challenging objectives" for membership campaigns, increased emphasis on troop and pack program planning and more frequent training sessions for scout leaders.

Scout Executive E. A. Barrer declared at the meetings' close that "the enthusiasm shown by the district leaders as they set their goals for 1947 promises a banner year for the council."

"Of special interest to scouts and cub Scouts," Barrer continued, "will be the new regulations for advancement of rank, as recently released by the National Scout headquarters in New York. These rules will be introduced through scout leaders after they have become thoroughly familiar with them. Advancement committees, composed of several men in each district, will undertake the work of distributing this information," Barrer concluded.

Southern division representatives from Belmont south to Palo Alto met Thursday night at Sequoia High School, Redwood City. District chairmen are A. E. Morrison, Los Angeles; Houston J. Jones, central, and L. B. Dematties, southern.

Commanding Redwood City scouts and scout leaders are working in soliciting funds during the recent Community Chest drive, R. L. Spangler, 1946 campaign manager. This week addressed a letter to L. E. Donahue, Chairman of the National Boy Scout Anniversary.

Free tickets to the southern division theater party Feb. 8 will be presented to the first 100 boys to join the Boy Scouts or Cubs between now and the party date, which marks the beginning of National Boy Scout Anniversary Week.

To start at 10 a. m. at the Sequoia Theater, the program will include a scout film, two cartoons, one of which concerns Donald Duck's adventures as a Scout, and a full-length feature film, yet to be announced.

Tickets to the party may be obtained by mailing 25 cents to Scout headquarters, 1204 Burlingame Ave., Burlingame.

Scout leaders are planning to have a "Men of Tomorrow," throughout the anniversary week, together with a small trailer film. The theater will be decorated with scout banners, posters and pictures.

Scouts of Troop 120 of Redwood City hiked to the Spring Valley Lakes area last week, under the leadership of Don Stead, assistant scoutmaster. Members participating were Edward Webster, John Ewing, Minoru and Sakaye Okamura, and Clarence Kakekawa. Scoutmaster Stead announced this week that 120 is now meeting every Thursday at 7:30 p. m. in the social hall of the First Congregational Church, sponsor of the troop.

Troop 151 of San Carlos, meeting this week at the town recreation center, made plans for a Parents' Night, slated for Feb. 28. Troop 154, also of San Carlos, met this week at the San Carlos School for continued instruction in map-reading and map-making.

The 40 cubs of Pack 22 of Redwood City met this week at the Mt. Carmel Hall, with a capacity crowd of 15 visitors and 35 parents in the audience. Cubmaster M. A. Gooding conducted an impressive candlelight graduation ceremony and awarded the graduate rank of Webelos to George Gooding, Bill Delucchi and Larry Mitchell.

Other awards presented during the meeting were honor arrows to Brenton Britschgi, Bill Werner, Michael Loftus and Donald McDaniel, Wolf badge, James Menzel; Lion badge, Bill Werner and Brenton Britschgi.

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Garden

By ROLLY LANGLEY

I suppose you could say that the leaves of shade-loving plants are more efficient than those of plants which will thrive only in full sun. The green matter in the leaves is able to manufacture plant food from the raw materials with less sun energy than the others. Certainly the range of requirements is so wide that there need be no blank spots around anyone's home. There are plants which will thrive in complete shade — ferns and coleus to name but two.

Many plants which like sun better will still get along in partial shade. I'm thinking of such things as bachelor buttons, lupin, English daisies, Marguerites, alyssum, stocks. But these can't be expected to produce as many flower buds in shade as they would in sun. It's almost axiomatic — the more shade, the larger the leaves, the ranker the growth and the fewer the flowers. This is particularly noticeable with such things as vegetables which insist on sun — or else.

Remember that general rule and as you experiment, keep notes on what is in your garden. I'll take exception to that last line before answering, by pointing out that while it does require some effort to grow things here, so does it to grow things in the shade. I'll take exception to that last line before answering, by pointing out that while it does require some effort to grow things here, so does it to grow things in the shade.

When soil has a tendency to humk and dry out too quickly, humus and leafmold or manure or peat-moss should be added.

Roses like full sun, but they will tolerate some shade. A door step on the east side of the building will get full morning sun, and that should be enough to give fair results with a rosebush. They can be grown in containers, and provided they're given water and plant food often enough. The soil mixture in the container must have organic matter.

Dennis M. Mesquita asks if he should wait until April to start a lawn and if he should fertilize it now or wait until just before he's ready to sow the seeds. I'd say that in the Bay Area and Central California it would be a mite better to start the lawn in March.

D.M.M. spaded up the area about two weeks ago and applied gypsum. He was very correct in doing that, and I'd suggest adding the fertilizer as soon as possible and working that in. I'd also add the peat-moss and loam right now. Then I'd seed the plot moist and encourage the germination of all weed seeds. These should be pulled as soon as they show, and by mid-March, that plot ought to be in excellent shape for planting a good lasting lawn.

Mrs. Souza of Richmond sends along a specimen of a weed infesting her lawn which she says isn't killed by weed killer. The specimen was too small and too far gone for identification. (When sending weeds for identification, send the whole plant, pressed between two pieces of cardboard.)

However, you can be pretty sure that any weed with leaves wider than grass blades will be killed by 2-4-D if it's properly applied. It may take several applications at this time of year. In Spring is the easiest time to apply the weed killers. The plant is more active then, and takes the poison down to the roots more readily.

Four Arraigned

Four men, charged with assault in the knifing of William Muckersbach, La Honda tavern proprietor, were arraigned here before Justice of the Peace E. J. McLaughlin.

The four, Doyle J. Weathers, 38, of Los Banos; Joe Bowles, 20, Roy Faulkinburg, 30, and his brother Benny, 21, all of Mayfield, are to appear for a preliminary hearing before Judge McLaughlin on Feb. 4.

Muckersbach signed the complaint charging them with assault. According to police, the knifing took place Sunday afternoon when Muckersbach refused to serve the men a drink in his La Honda tavern. After a preliminary scuffle, Weathers drew a pocket knife and the other three "piled" Muckersbach, police said. Muckersbach, slashed in the ear, neck, throat, and thigh, was not said to be in serious condition.

Bail on the four was set at \$1000 cash or \$2000 bond.

Laborer Jailed

Walter Kelly, 30, a laborer who lives at 119 So. Grant St., San Mateo, was arrested last Sunday by California Highway Patrol officers on the charge of drunken driving.

Kelly was picked up on Bayshore Hwy. near Mills Field and lodged in the county jail, where he was being held in lieu of \$100 cash bail.

Kiwanis Confab

National Motor Bearing Co.'s "Flying Seal" returned from Santa Barbara Saturday with Redwood City's delegation to the Kiwanis Club's conference of secretaries and presidents. The delegation included Thon Thornton, A. H. Sagehorn, R. C. O'Connell and Walter Kellogg. Lloyd Johnson, president of KMS and a member of the Redwood City Kiwanis Club, assigned the company plane to the delegation. Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Miles, who also attended the meeting, made the trip by train.

Reports Theft

Rocco Mazzoni, 800 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, reported the theft of his automobile Monday to Redwood City police.

He said he had parked the vehicle with keys in its ignition at 2864 Broadway and that it had been taken between 6 p. m. and 8 p. m.

Heads Employes

Mrs. Mona Christensen of North Palo Alto last Friday was elected president of the San Mateo County Employes' Assn. at a meeting held at the county courthouse.

Bradlee Smith, county purchasing agent, was elected vice president; Andrew Blakely of the engineer's office, treasurer; and Gray Alan Wilson of the probation department, secretary. All three live in Redwood City.

The board of directors will include the officers and three others: Royal Hodge, past president, of the health department; John Kiefer, Menlo Park, of the clerk's office, and Dep. Sheriff William Schade of San Bruno.

Mrs. Christensen, who is an assistant probation officer, said that the new officers would make an effort to increase the activity of the group.

She said that heading their plans was a five-day, 40-hour week, legislation for which has been introduced into the state legislature. At a short meeting of the directors this morning, Schade was named to head a committee of seven to study the proposed legislation and to report to the group.

The Probst system for proficiency ratings was discussed last night at length. Mrs. Christensen reported that the system of two ratings was named for further study. The committee are Henry Tarratt of the building inspector's office and Russell Patterson, registrar of voters.

Mrs. Christensen said that there was strong criticism of the Probst system at last night's meeting, with the various members protesting that some of the persons who rate the employes are not qualified to do the rating.

The directors plan to appear before the board of supervisors at a future meeting to ask for cooperation in all measures which benefit county employes, Mrs. Christensen said.

Wrucke Dies

Lt. Comdr. Chester T. Wrucke, United States Coast Guard, for the past 10 years active in civic affairs in Palo Alto and Redwood City, died last Tuesday at the Marine Hospital, San Francisco, following a lengthy illness.

Captain Wrucke, as he was known here in his favorite Sea Scout troop and at the Palo Alto Yacht Club, entered the hospital Sept. 20, after a heart attack in Denver while he was en route East with his wife to visit their son, Chester Jr., stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky.

He was born in Milwaukee, Wis., June 14, 1893, but his early schooling and first familiarity with the sea were gained in Seattle, Wash., where the family settled when he was 9. While a student at the University of Washington, he enlisted in the naval militia, and later was commissioned an ensign when he was called to active duty at the outbreak of war in 1917. He held the rank of lieutenant, junior grade, upon his discharge.

The "captain" is survived by his widow, Lillian Slater Wrucke, a son, Cpl. Chester T. Wrucke Jr., USA, a daughter, Mary; his father, Louis J. Wrucke, and a sister, Mrs. Pearl Olsbo, both of Seattle.

Woman Honored

Mrs. C. C. Thiltgen's birthday was honored by thirty Sunday School teachers and church officers of the North Fair Oaks Community Church at a dinner last Thursday evening.

After finding places at the candle lighted banquet table and the invocation by the Rev. Ralph Benson the group joined in the surprise birthday chorus. Barbara Minor and Roberta Nelson brought in and presented the birthday cake.

Mrs. Thiltgen has served as the teacher of the adult Bible class in the Sunday School for seven years. In appreciation for faithful service this Sunday School presented her with a gift.

As Mrs. Thiltgen is also president of the Women's Auxiliary, Mrs. Paul Nelson added a surprise to the evening by presenting her with the material for a new dress.

The evening closed with the Rev. Ralph Benson revealing that the average Sunday School attendance for 1946 was higher than in 1945 and the presenting of pupils to encourage regularity of pupil attendance.

Each person received two leaflets written by J. Edgar Hoover, director of FBI entitled, "If I Had a Son" and "Why I Believe in the Sunday School."

The group voted to adopt a church school report card system for use during this year.

The commission will be composed of five regular members from each of the five supervisor districts, plus two ex-officio members.

The members who will be named next Tuesday are Leo Ferko, mayor of South San Francisco, who will be nominated by Supervisor Thomas L. Hickey; Carl Bessett, Burlingame builder and former member of the planning commission, to be nominated by Supervisor Edward R. McDonald; Frank Bartlett, former air force colonel and now a San Mateo realtor, to be named by Supervisor Martin A. Poss, and Charles Nelson, Half Moon Bay agent for the Associated Oil Co., to be appointed by Supervisor Alvin S. Hatch.

Supervisor Henry W. Edmonds of Redwood City was not ready to name his appointee, but said that he would name his choice next Tuesday.

The ex-officio members will be Frank Skillman, secretary of the county planning commission, and County Engineer M. A. Grant.

Texan Jailed

Leslie Young, 36-year-old Texas truck driver, was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, advised by Superior Court Judge A. R. Cotton to go back to his home state.

Young had pleaded guilty in juvenile court to staying over night in a South San Francisco hotel with a 16-year-old girl, also from Texas.

Vote Aids

Redwood City Child Care Center and other child care centers in the state will be able to function until June 30, unless a vote taken in Sacramento today is reconsidered.

The senate passed the assembly bill to continue state operation of child care centers from Mar. 1 to June 30, pending determination of a permanent policy with respect to them.

However, Sen. Earl Desmond of Sacramento gave notice he will seek to have the vote reconsidered. The bill carries an appropriation of \$1,500,000.

It went to a roll call after Sen. George Hatfield of Merced county had withdrawn his amendment which stricken passage yesterday. Under that amendment the state's sponsorship of the center would end definitely on June 30. As passed, 29 to 7, the legislature can determine what is to be its policy, before liquidation of the wartime programs is forced by lack of funds.

Andrew Spinax, superintendent of the Redwood City Elementary School District, earlier had said that passage of the bill "would save our necks."

The Redwood City center, which has been in operation since June, 1943, is now used by 80 youngsters.

Purse Purloined

Mrs. Ann Caruso, 247 McAvoy St., told police Saturday that a pickpocket had taken a wallet containing approximately \$35 from her purse.

She claimed she had not fastened the catch on the purse after making a purchase in a Broadway 45 and 10 cent store and that subsequently the wallet had been taken.

New Subdivision

Tentative plans for a new subdivision of homes in the \$25,000 class were revealed Thursday with filing of a deed with the county recorder of the purchase of 109 acres of land from the Spring Valley Co.

The transfer of the land, in the Black Mountain section west of Hillsborough, was to the California Pacific Title Insurance Co. for \$38,500. T. J. Hallinan, manager of the title company, said that the land is being held for J. B. Oswald, San Mateo builder.

Oswald reported that he is buying the land for a future subdivision when restrictions will be lowered for construction of homes in the \$25,000 class.

Blaze

Redwood City firemen extinguished a no-damage fire in a garage truck on East Brewster Ave. at Alherton St. Chief Joe Lodi said the fire started in sacks which had become wrapped around a drive shaft.

Machinist Jailed

Antonio Lopez, 49, 511 Bradford St., a machinist, was arrested by his wife, Antonia, Saturday night on a charge of disturbing the peace.

She told police he had threatened her. The machinist was taken to the San Mateo County jail.

Quartet Jailed

Four men held at the county jail in a knife attack on the proprietor of a La Honda tavern face charges of assault with a deadly weapon, Chief Dep. Dist. Atty. A. S. Whitmore said Monday.

The four are Doyle J. Weathers, 38, of Los Banos; Joe Bowles, 20, Roy Faulkinburg, 30, and his brother Benny, 21, all of Mayfield. Weathers was booked for the assault, and the other three as material witnesses in the wounding of William Muckersbach, 45, owner of Applejack's Sunday afternoon. Muckersbach is in Community Hospital with knife slashes across the ear, neck, throat and thigh. His condition is said to be not serious.

The knifing occurred when the four and another youth, not concerned in the fracas, entered the tavern and asked to use the rest room.

Dep. Sheriff Peter Bolich and Paul Jensen reported that Muckersbach heard a rumup in the rest room, went in and ordered them out. The fracas started near the bar, when the youths demanded liquor and Muckersbach refused to serve them, charging they were too young, the officers declared.

The officers said that Weathers then socked Muckersbach, who socked back. The fracas started and Weathers drew a pocketknife, the officers declare. The other three piled on Muckersbach, using their fists and chairs.

Whitmore said that he was preparing a complaint charging all four of them with assault.

Sells Home

The Hillsborough home of Fred G. Athearn, San Francisco attorney, has been sold for \$56,000, according to a deed filed Monday with County Recorder T. Clark Rice.

The house, at 1776 Manor Dr., has been sold to Pauline K. Stulsaft.

Seeks Policy

Lt. Russell M. Gibbons, 827 Brewster Ave., Redwood City, is one of 1864 reserve officers nationwide seeking commissions in the regular army it was announced Friday.

The names were sent to the Senate for confirmation by President Truman, Thursday.

Other San Mateo County reservists seeking commissions include Lt. Rene E. De Russy, Millbrae; Capt. Harold E. Allen, San Mateo; and Maj. Thomas A. Fitcher, Half Moon Bay.



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Young 1947 arrived wearing working togs, with his sleeves rolled up. He found a muscle-bulging job ahead of him... in construction, increased business and industrial expansion.

He found nearly 9,000,000 residents in California, including more than a million new workers who came West with the wartime growth of industry. They are staying in California because industrial expansion is continuing. P. G. and E. contributed effectively to this continued growth by advertising California's opportunities nationally and setting up a staff of experts to help furnish business and industrial firms the facts about locating in this area.

We are going places in the West, and P. G. and E., looking to the future, again is building ahead of demand. Little Man 1947 is hard at work for us — on a \$300,000,000 construction program to serve the growing needs of a greater California.

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1. Highway funds now available total \$140,000,000

2. During the next four years total highway revenue from all sources will add to the fund This totals \$528,000,000

3. Expenditures during this period (repairs, new roads and including the projected State super highways) will cost an estimated \$633,000,000

4. This will leave a surplus of \$ 35,000,000

Western Oil and Gas Association
"There is no apparent reason why the State gasoline tax should be doubled, or even increased. The Western Oil and Gas Association challenges the advocates of higher taxes to refute with detail the facts here presented."
RALPH B. LLOYD, President

Parents' Corner

NIGHT LIFE IN A BIG CITY

Here is a picture of night life in a big city.

It was past midnight in the deserted warehouse section of the city. Apart from the sputtering car lights at the intersections, the only illumination came from a dingy little corner saloon at the base of one of the big buildings. A red neon sign proclaimed that beer was for sale, and it cast a red glow over the sidewalk. The weather was cold and the wind was blowing.

An old car was parked in front of the saloon, and from it, if you listened carefully, you could hear the sobbing of a little girl. The sound of the crying didn't carry very far. There were no pedestrians to hear it. The police prowl car drove by on schedule, but the engine sounds drowned out the cries, so no one came to help.

The little girl, 7-year-old Sally, was exhausted. She wanted to relax and go to sleep, but the shuddering fear that she had been deserted kept her awake. Two hours before, her younger brother, 4 years old, had given up and gone to sleep. He wasn't so worried because he was used to having Sally take care of him.

As she cried, Sally remembered the last time this had happened. She remembered how, in her hysterical fear that her folks had gone off and left her, she had left the car, warning herself that she would be back in just a moment. She had gone into the saloon and found her parents. She remembered what it was like inside the saloon. It was warm, with a damp, steamy atmosphere. There was an old battered one with a rail in front of it. She had slipped by quickly and the bartender hadn't seen her.

Her parents were in a booth at the rear. Mama and Papa were laughing, on, greatly to the amusement of the rest of the party. Her hair had shaken loose and was hanging down in wisps over her face. Her dress was mussed and she was laughing shrilly at her own efforts to tell the latest story about the morals of a certain movie star. Papa was not quite so drunk, and at first she had been glad, because she knew that when Papa got drunk he usually had a fight.

When they saw their daughter standing beside the booth, both Mama and Papa had stopped their laughter and their faces had gotten red with anger. Hadn't they told Sally to wait there in the car until they came back? What did she mean by coming in after them? Why didn't she go to sleep in the car and wait for them?

The more he talked the more angry Papa became. Sally remembered how she began to cry. She remembered her father caught her and began to spank her with his hand, calloused hand. She remembered how the bartender in a big white apron had come back and jerked her from Papa's grasp. And she remembered how a policeman had suddenly appeared and forced Mama and Papa to take her home.

This had been several weeks ago, but she would never forget it. When they had gotten home she had been beaten again. Her little hand rubbed the scars from the beating. She knew she didn't dare go after her folks this time, so all she could do was wait. She had cried forever, it seemed. Mama and Papa were nice folks when they weren't drinking. She wished they wouldn't do this to her. Finally, a neighborly Mother Nature intervened. Her sobs became less frequent, as her exhausted body drifted off to sleep, jerking spasmodically as the tension was released.

I wish I could say that this is an imaginary story. It is not.

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Receive Raise

Members of United Automotive Workers Local 76 (CIO) employed at National Motor Bearing Co. here will receive a salary raise of five cents an hour, retroactive to Jan. 1, it was announced jointly Monday by union and company officials.

The new scale will remain in effect until a national pattern is established in the automobile industry, when NME will meet the national scale. The new scale, set by Kellogg, Jr., industrial relations manager at the Redwood City plant, and Clara Hasson, president of UAW Local 76, said.

The company's offer, made after negotiations of two months, was accepted yesterday by UAW at Foresters Hall.

Hasson said the salary boost would affect about 275 workers. Meanwhile, elsewhere on the labor front, a meeting has been set for tomorrow at 10 a. m. in the U. S. conciliator's office in San Francisco for AFL-Tannery union officials and employer council representatives who will again attempt to iron out their differences which have caused a strike in the Bay Area tannery industry, including Beger Tanning Co. at Redwood City and the Poetsch & Peterson plant in South San Francisco.

The strike was called last Monday by Butchers Union 516 over a wage dispute.

Petition Court

San Mateo County attorney Monday were circulating petitions asking for the creation of a third superior court.

Wayne R. Millington, Redwood City, said that he had received a petition from E. H. Cosgriff of Burlingame. The petition already has the signatures of 14 lawyers, and Millington said he understood others were being circulated in the north end of the county.

The county bar association has not publicly endorsed the third court, the creation of which is being studied by grand jury. The petition, which is circulated only among the county's 85 attorneys, will be presented to the state legislature.

Thomas B. Foster, grand jury spokesman, has said that the jury discussed the matter with a number of attorneys, but found that they were split over the need of the third court.

Millington, meantime announced that next year he probably would be a candidate for the post of superior court judge now held by Aylett R. Cotton.

Park Commission

Park and recreation commissioners last night voted to appeal at once to the Community Chest for funds to hire a part-time adult supervisor for The Spot, a newly opened adolescent recreation center.

The commission voted to request the Chest to provide funds until July 1 for a supervisor who would work Friday evenings, Saturdays and possibly Wednesday afternoons.

After July 1, City Councilman Carl (Ike) Britschgi said, the city council will be able to pay the supervisor from the city budget for the fiscal year, 1947-48.

The commission also voted to do decide then appeal in the Chest overruled a suggestion by Commission Chmn. Elmer Ross that the appeal be delayed until after Feb. 21 when the commission will meet with civic groups to explain the center's purpose.

Ross had urged the commission wait until approval of the move might be obtained from the civic groups.

Before the decision was reached, a letter from A. C. Argo, Sequoia High School superintendent, was read. Argo claimed the center could do much to help in the drive against juvenile delinquency if center activities were not properly supervised.

At present adult supervision for the center is furnished on a volunteer basis.

The commission also voted to open the center possibly on Wednesday afternoons, for the use of youth and eighth grade teen-agers.

The final decision on details of this move was turned over to a five-person adult steering committee set up to advise adolescents running the center. Billy Case, an elementary school principal, said his students had been urging some kind of action which would permit them to use the building.

Britschgi, a steering committee member, said that the Boy Scouts had requested use of the building for a Pottery Center. Jack Pock, Boy Scout commissioner and a commissioner, claimed the commission would not be holding faith with the teen-agers who decorated the building if they should be asked to give it to outside organizations to use it.

The commission voted to permit the use of the building only to teen-agers who are members of the center. This would include grammar school teen-agers.

Andrew Spinas, a commissioner and elementary school district superintendent, pointed out to the commission that the center would be able to use the old Carnegie Library Bldg. on a temporary basis and that the commission should start planning a replacement.

Britschgi said that experience so far indicated that the next center building should be away from the center of town. He said a building close to town invited disinterested view park master plans recently completed by William Penn Mott Jr. and determine the most functional method of getting started on the 20-year park development plan.

This decision would include Mott had claimed heatedly that a "good recreation consultant should review the plans."

Mott was an excellent landscape architect, he was not known as a recreation authority. Ross urged Mott to tell the commission of any changes he should be made. Spinas pointed out the commission was not "hide bound" to follow them.

Comr. Donald Bogie asked Mott which was the first job the commission should tackle, carrying out the park development program. In answer, Mott said he hoped the city would hold up a turning project for softball and basketball diamonds which he could learn whether the state legislature will offer matching funds.

He claimed there was a move planned by which the legislature would use horse racing funds to match city contributions towards recreation projects.

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Garden

BY ROLLY LANGLEY

If you've been wondering whether to plant a flat of tomatoes this Winter—so you can have tomatoes you've brought along the whole way yourself, peruse this note from Ruth E. Edwards of Danville.

"I had a flat of tomatoes in 1946 which produced plants from which I picked hundreds of pounds of tomatoes. The juice was very sweet. I am the gardener in our family, my husband doing all the cultivating of the ground in the first place. I had marvelous pole beans, peppers, strawberries, boysenberries and eggplants.

"Living in the country we have many moles and gophers. Although the gophers don't seem to bother the vegetable garden, they did pull some of the tomato vines right down in the gopher holes. They do love artichokes. Moles are plowing up the lawn and flower beds, but have eliminated several gophers and moles by staking with a spading fork. Our cat will catch gophers but won't touch moles."

"That's usually the case. The fur of the mole is so thick that it tends to choke a cat. You've probably heard the story that it gets between their teeth, and that a cat will go after moles after you teach the cat to catch them. For one, I don't believe it.

Many have reported that moths balls will repel moles and drive them out of the garden. You can put moth balls in the runways that you find. The moles usually will not return to such runways.

Getting back to the tomatoes. Since you want tomatoes, you can't expect all the seeds to germinate. Of course no one expects all the seeds to germinate. Of course no one expects all the seeds to germinate. Of course no one expects all the seeds to germinate.

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WHAT AMAZES DRIVERS and others connected with the bus lines is not so much the types of articles passengers leave on the seats at their journeys' ends, but rather the things they fail to inquire for afterwards.

At the Greyhound baggage storage center in San Francisco, where the stray luggage and the lost articles are gathered from a wide area to await claimants, all sorts of things are counted. Shopping packages, wraps, key cases, spectacles, handbags, handkerchiefs, gloves, hats, overshoes (in season) and lunch boxes are commonplace. Now and then somebody who has parked his false teeth on the seat beside him forgets to take them home when he alights, and cripples sometimes limp home without their crutches.

If the lame passenger required a crutch to get aboard the bus, how could he manage to walk home without it aid? The incidents sound like quite a testimonial to the curative value of bus riding for sufferers from ailments and disabilities affecting the feet and legs.

SOME LOSERS OF ARTICLES on buses make inquiry immediately at the lost and found department. Others take their time. Yet others are never heard from. When the abandoned article is unaccompanied by any tag or other evidence giving a clue to the owner's identity or place of residence, nothing can be done but waiting.

If the lost article is small, and the name and supposedly correct address of the owner is attached, the object is mailed to the claimant. If there is uncertainty as to whether the address is new, a card of notification is sent.

OFTEN THE LOSERS when notified that articles await them at the lost and found center express amazement. "I could not imagine where I lost it," they will say. When the loser had been moving about from place to place rapidly, or when he was drowsy or a bit tipsy so that his memory was not in best working order, the possibility of the bus being the spot where the article was forgotten has not occurred to him.

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The Prowler

ONE OF THE SUBJECTS on which I have become a recognized crank is sanitation in public eating and drinking places. I have become more of a crank. I have become a bore on the subject. But, like all cranks, fanatics and bores, I consider that fanaticism is justifiable in my case because of the importance of the project—namely the attempted introduction of more sanitary methods in whatever places are remiss. And there are plenty of them.

There is still no state law regulating dishwashing in eating and drinking places. Some localities have their own ordinances. Some have none. That means that the eater-out takes pot luck on dirtiness and germs when he chooses his eating and drinking spots indiscriminately.

Even the localities that have ordinances governing restaurant, soda fountain and bar dishwashing and other details of sanitation are not 100 per cent protected. Ordinances are one thing. Their observance is another.

The sanitary inspectors cannot be everywhere at once. They may find things apparently satisfactory on one visit. But that does not preclude possibility of things being different the next day, or even the next minute. Sometimes the official inspections themselves become reduced to a perfunctory formality. Because a certain establishment has had a good sanitation rating for some time, the inspector may take things there on faith, assume that everything must be all right, and so not look into the corners, behind things and under things, and not be fussy about such details as those germ-concealing cracks in dishes. If the inspector and the resort owner happen to be quite friendly, the chances of the inspections being reduced to a routine formality are greatly increased.

EVEN WHEN INSPECTORS are super-conscientious and very hard-boiled about the enforcement of sanitation laws, the patrons are left largely to the mercies of the management and the personnel. No inspector can be at the elbow of every restaurant worker every minute to say, "Don't."

For instance, The other day a girl behind a lunch counter was cutting pies into those small fractional pieces known as servings. It was a cherry pie, which left red juice on the knife. She next tackled an apple pie. Not wishing to mix juices and colors, she wiped off the knife before beginning the dissection of the apple pie. The knife was wiped with a very dirty rag—one that had been used as a hand towel and also as a cloth for smearing the thin greasy food accumulations on the lunch counter.

Waitresses who use their ungloved hands for mixing salads and making sandwiches alternate those movements with the smoothing of their hair. Some who handle foods handle cash as well, without any intervening washing of hands.

The wearing of hair nets by women waitresses and fountain attendants also would be on the side of sanitation and health safety.

A VOX POP WRITER, objecting because the club women in his town are endeavoring to induce their city councilmen to enact an ordinance prohibiting smoking on the buses, says it would be wiser if the councilmen went on record against hard-boiled joints that remain open after midnight, stop sale of salacious magazines, or do something to prevent juveniles from seeing objectionable plays.

I have always wondered why some people look upon every proposed measure as being necessarily a rival of any other measure, no matter how far apart the things they touch. There is nothing mutually exclusive about smoking regulations, saloon regulations and anti-pornography laws. There is no more reason why an ordinance governing one of those interests should preclude hopes of the others than there is why the licensing of a bakery should make it impossible for a meat market or dry goods store to operate in the same locality.

THERE WERE VACANT parking spaces before in front of and behind his car. But parking in either would have meant insertion of a coin in the meter. So this driver thought he had hit upon a smart solution. He parked his car in a driveway entrance between the two metered spaces.

Had a cop come along at the right moment, that driver would have been subject to arrest for that offense quite as much as if he had scored a violation signal on the meter.

Those people who intrude upon private driveways for their own convenience excuse the act by explaining, "I will be here only a minute." Those "minutes" often stretch out for longer periods. But regardless of that the rightful owner may come at any moment and find himself blocked because of the intruder—as often happens.

Those country roads and those city streets which are thoroughfares could well be financed by gas tax money. Those country roads and city streets which are primarily access roads should be constructed and maintained from taxes on the properties they benefit.

One reason why there is not enough money in the present gasoline tax to finance state thoroughfares is because so much of it is being used to maintain county road departments serving many little-used access roads.

Most supervisors would cringe at the thought of a road tax on unincorporated territory to care for access roads and subdivision street maintenance. City taxpayers should help to high heaven because gas tax funds have been used to construct and are being used to maintain streets in unincorporated subdivisions.

It is because of this diversion of gas tax funds to maintain in toto the county road departments that we must pay more gas tax to build and maintain state highways.

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Plans Aired

Menlo Park's building requirements are all right and should not be relaxed, agreed most of the builders, realtors, businessmen and other interested persons who last night attended an informal discussion sponsored by the Menlo Park City Council.

There was some objection that something must be wrong because building in Menlo Park is lagging, especially in comparison with commercial building in neighboring cities.

At a hearing two weeks ago before the city council,